

Multiple Choice Questions (Type-1)

1. Consider the isoelectronic species, Na^+ , Mg^{2+} , F^- and O^{2-} . The correct order of increasing length of their radii is _____.

(i) $\text{F}^- < \text{O}^{2-} < \text{Mg}^{2+} < \text{Na}^+$

(ii) $\text{Mg}^{2+} < \text{Na}^+ < \text{F}^- < \text{O}^{2-}$

(iii) $\text{O}^{2-} < \text{F}^- < \text{Na}^+ < \text{Mg}^{2+}$

(iv) $\text{O}^{2-} < \text{F}^- < \text{Mg}^{2+} < \text{Na}^+$

Solution:

Option (ii) is the answer.

2. Which of the following is not an actinoid?

(i) Curium ($Z = 96$)

(ii) Californium ($Z = 98$)

(iii) Uranium ($Z = 92$)

(iv) Terbium ($Z = 65$)

Solution:

Option (iv) is the answer.

3. The order of screening effect of electrons of s, p, d and f orbitals of a given shell of an atom on its outer shell electrons is:

(i) $s > p > d > f$

(ii) $f > d > p > s$

(iii) $p < d < s > f$

(iv) $f > p > s > d$

Solution:

Option (i) is the answer.

4. The first ionisation enthalpies of Na, Mg, Al and Si are in the order:

(i) $\text{Na} < \text{Mg} > \text{Al} < \text{Si}$

(ii) $\text{Na} > \text{Mg} > \text{Al} > \text{Si}$

(iii) $\text{Na} < \text{Mg} < \text{Al} < \text{Si}$

(iv) $\text{Na} > \text{Mg} > \text{Al} < \text{Si}$

Solution:

Option (i) is the answer.

5. The electronic configuration of gadolinium (Atomic number 64) is

(i) $[\text{Xe}] 4f^3 5d^5 6s^2$

(ii) $[\text{Xe}] 4f^7 5d^2 6s^1$

(iii) $[\text{Xe}] 4f^7 5d^1 6s^2$

(iv) $[\text{Xe}] 4f^8 5d^6 6s^2$

Solution:

Option (iii) is the answer.

6. The statement that is not correct for periodic classification of elements is:

(i) The properties of elements are periodic function of their atomic numbers.

(ii) Non-metallic elements are less in number than metallic elements.

(iii) For transition elements, the 3d-orbitals are filled with electrons after 3p-orbitals and before 4s-orbitals.

(iv) The first ionisation enthalpies of elements generally increase with increase in atomic number as we go along a period.

Solution:

Option (iii) is the answer.

7. Among halogens, the correct order of the amount of energy released in electron gain (electron gain enthalpy) is:

(i) $F > Cl > Br > I$

(ii) $F < Cl < Br < I$

(iii) $F < Cl > Br > I$

(iv) $F < Cl < Br < I$

Solution:

Option (iii) is the answer.

8. The period number in the long form of the periodic table is equal to

(i) magnetic quantum number of any element of the period.

(ii) an atomic number of any element of the period.

(iii) maximum Principal quantum number of any element of the period.

(iv) maximum Azimuthal quantum number of any element of the period.

Solution:

Option (iii) is the answer.

9. The elements in which electrons are progressively filled in 4f-orbital are called

(i) actinoids

(ii) transition elements

(iii) lanthanoids

(iv) halogens

Solution:

Option (iii) is the answer.

10. Which of the following is the correct order of the size of the given species:

(i) $I > I^- > I^+$

(ii) $I^+ > I^- > I$

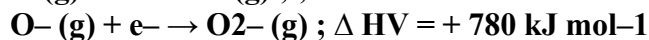
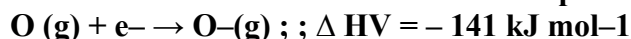
(iii) $I > I^+ > I^-$

(iv) $I^- > I > I^+$

Solution:

Option (iv) is the answer.

11. The formation of the oxide ion, $O^{2-}(g)$, from oxygen atom requires first an exothermic and then an endothermic step as shown below:



Thus the process of formation of O^{2-} in the gas phase is unfavourable even though O^{2-} is isoelectronic with neon. It is due to the fact that

(i) oxygen is more electronegative.

(ii) addition of electron in oxygen results in larger size of the ion.

(iii) electron repulsion outweighs the stability gained by achieving a noble gas configuration.

(iv) O^-

ion has a comparatively smaller size than an oxygen atom.

Solution:

Option (iii) is the answer.

12. Comprehension given below is followed by some multiple-choice questions.

Each question has one correct option. Choose the correct option.

In the modern periodic table, elements are arranged in order of increasing atomic numbers which are related to the electronic configuration. Depending upon the type of orbitals receiving the last electron, the elements in the periodic table has been divided into four blocks, viz, s, p, d and f. The modern periodic a table consists of 7 periods and 18 groups. Each period begins with the filling of a new energy shell. In accordance with the Aufbau principle, the seven periods (1 to 7) have 2, 8, 8, 18, 18, 32 and 32 elements respectively. The the seventh period is still incomplete. To avoid the periodic table being too long, the two series of f-block elements, called lanthanoids and actinoids are placed at the bottom of the main body of the periodic table.

(a) The element with atomic number 57 belongs to

(i) s-block

(ii) p-block

(iii) d-block

(iv) f-block

(b) The last element of the p-block in 6th period is represented by the outermost electronic configuration.

(i) $7s^2 7p^6$

(ii) $5f^{14} 6d^{10} 7s^2 7p^0$

(iii) $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^6$

(iv) $4f^{14} 5d^{10} 6s^2 6p^4$

(c) Which of the elements whose atomic numbers are given below, cannot be accommodated in the present set up of the long form of the periodic table?

(i) 107

(ii) 118

(iii) 126

(iv) 102

(d) The electronic configuration of the element which is just above the element with atomic number 43 in the same group is _____.

(i) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^5 4s^2$

(ii) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^5 4s^3 4p^6$

(iii) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^6 4s^2$

(iv) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^2 3p^6 3d^7 4s^2$

(e) The elements with atomic numbers 35, 53 and 85 are all _____.

(i) noble gases

(ii) halogens

(iii) heavy metals

(iv) light metals

Solution:

(a) Option (iii) is the answer

(b) Option (iii) is the answer

(c) Option (iii) is the answer.

(d) Option (i) is the answer

(e) Option (ii) is the answer

13. Electronic configurations of four elements A, B, C and D are given below :

(A) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6$ (B) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^4$

(C) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^6 3s^1$ (D) $1s^2 2s^2 2p^5$

Which of the following is the correct order of increasing tendency to gain electron :

(i) $A < C < B < D$

(ii) $A < B < C < D$

(iii) $D < B < C < A$

(iv) $D < A < B < C$

Solution:

Option (i) is the answer.

II. Multiple Choice Questions (Type-II)

In the following questions, two or more options may be correct.

14. Which of the following elements can show covalency greater than 4?

(i) Be

(ii) P

(iii) S

(iv) B

Solution:

Option (ii) and (iii) are the answers.

15. Those elements impart colour to the flame on heating in it, the atoms of which

require low energy for the ionisation (i.e., absorb energy in the visible region of the spectrum). The elements of which of the following groups will impart colour to the flame?

- (i) 2
- (ii) 13
- (iii) 1
- (iv) 17

Solution:

Option (i) and (iii) are the answers.

16. Which of the following sequences contain atomic numbers of only representative elements?

- (i) 3, 33, 53, 87
- (ii) 2, 10, 22, 36
- (iii) 7, 17, 25, 37, 48
- (iv) 9, 35, 51, 88

Solution:

Option (i) and (iv) are the answers.

17. Which of the following elements will gain one electron more readily in comparison to other elements of their group?

- (i) S (g)
- (ii) Na (g)
- (iii) O (g)
- (iv) Cl (g)

Solution:

Option (i) and (iv) are the answers.

18. Which of the following statements are correct?

- (i) Helium has the highest first ionisation enthalpy in the periodic table.
- (ii) Chlorine has less negative electron gain enthalpy than fluorine.
- (iii) Mercury and bromine are liquids at room temperature.
- (iv) In any period, the atomic radius of alkali metal is the highest.

Solution:

Option (i) and (iii) are the answers.

19. Which of the following sets contain only isoelectronic ions?

- (i) Zn^{2+} , Ca^{2+} , Ga^{3+} , Al^{3+}
- (ii) K^+ , Ca^{2+} , Sc^{3+} , Cl^-
- (iii) P^{3-} , S^{2-} , Cl^- , K^+
- (iv) Ti^{4+} , Ar , Cr^{3+} , V^{5+}

Solution:

Option (ii) and (iii) are the answers.

20. In which of the following options order of arrangement does not agree with the variation of property indicated against it?

- (i) $\text{Al}^{3+} < \text{Mg}^{2+} < \text{Na}^+ < \text{F}^-$ (increasing ionic size)
- (ii) $\text{B} < \text{C} < \text{N} < \text{O}$ (increasing first ionisation enthalpy)
- (iii) $\text{I} < \text{Br} < \text{Cl} < \text{F}$ (increasing electron gain enthalpy)
- (iv) $\text{Li} < \text{Na} < \text{K} < \text{Rb}$ (increasing metallic radius)

Solution:

Option (ii) and (iii) are the answers.

21. Which of the following have no unit?

- (i) Electronegativity
- (ii) Electron gain enthalpy
- (iii) Ionisation enthalpy
- (iv) Metallic character

Solution:

Option (i) and (iv) are the answers.

22. Ionic radii vary in

- (i) inverse proportion to the effective nuclear charge.
- (ii) inverse proportion to the square of effective nuclear charge.
- (iii) direct proportion to the screening effect.
- (iv) direct proportion to the square of screening effect.

Solution:

Option (i) and (iii) are the answers.

23. An element belongs to the 3rd period and group-13 of the periodic table. Which of the following properties will be shown by the element?

- (i) Good conductor of electricity
- (ii) Liquid, metallic
- (iii) Solid, metallic
- (iv) Solid, non-metallic

Solution:

Option (i) and (iii) are the answers.

III. Short Answer Type

24. Explain why the electron gain enthalpy of fluorine is less negative than that of chlorine.

Solution:

Fluorine has smaller size as compared to chlorine as a result of which the attraction outside the shell to gain electron is less. Moreover, there are inter electronic repulsions as well in the 2p orbitals which results in the less negative electron gain enthalpy.

25. All transition elements are d-block elements, but all d-block elements do not transition elements. Explain.

Solution:

The elements having their outermost shell filled with d electrons are known as d block elements. All d block are not transition elements because it is important to have incompletely filled d orbital of the element like calcium and zinc etc.

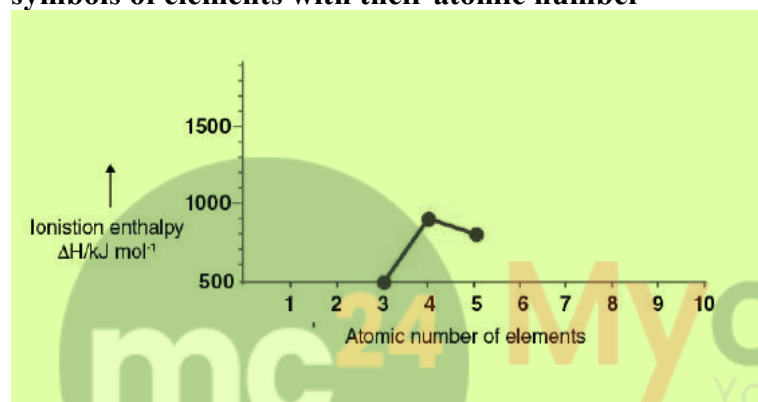
26. Identify the group and valency of the element having atomic number 119. Also, predict the outermost electronic configuration and write the general formula of its oxide.

Solution:

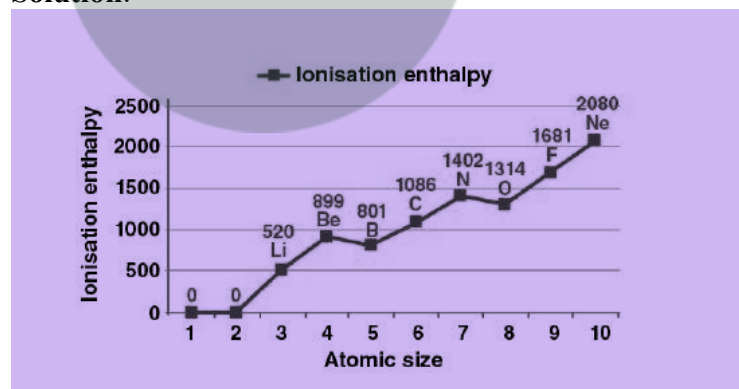
There are 118 elements in the 7 periods of the modern periodic table. Therefore the element with atomic number 119 will lie in the 8th period of the first group and will have the outermost electronic configuration of $8s^1$. It belongs to group 1 and has a valency of one. The formula of its oxide will be M_2O .

27. Ionisation enthalpies of elements of the second period are given below: Ionisation enthalpy/ kcal mol^{-1} : 520, 899, 801, 1086, 1402, 1314, 1681, 2080.

Match the correct enthalpy with the elements and complete the graph given in Fig. 3.1. Also, write symbols of elements with their atomic number



Solution:



The ionisation enthalpy of elements varies across period and group. The ionisation enthalpy decreases down a group and increases as we move from left to right in a period.

28. Among the elements B, Al, C and Si,

(i) which element has the highest first ionisation enthalpy?

(ii) which element has the most metallic character? Justify your answer in each case.

Solution:

(i) Carbon has the highest ionisation enthalpy. It increases from left to right across the period and decreases as we go down the group.

(ii) Aluminium has the most metallic character. As we move down, the metallic character increases and

decreases across the period from left to right.

29. Write four characteristic properties of p-block elements.

Solution:

1. They show variable oxidation states. The reducing character increases down the group and oxidising character increases along the period.
2. They have a high ionisation enthalpy than the s-block elements.
3. They usually form covalent compounds.
4. Both metals and non-metals are found in this group, but non-metals are slightly more in number.

30. Choose the correct order of atomic radii of fluorine and neon (in pm) out of the options given below and justify your answer.

- (i) 72, 160
(ii) 160, 160
(iii) 72, 72
(iv) 160, 72

Solution:

- (i) 72, 160

Because neon has van der Waals radii and fluorine has covalent radii. Covalent radius is always less than van der Waal's radius, so the radius of Fluorine is 72pm and Neon is 160pm.

31. Illustrate by taking examples of transition elements and non-transition elements that oxidation states of elements are largely based on electronic configuration.

Solution:

Ti has an atomic number of 22 and electronic configuration $[\text{Ar}]3d^24s^2$ and can show three oxidation states of +2,+3 and +4 in various compounds like $\text{TiO}_2(+4)$, $\text{Ti}_2\text{O}_3(+3)$ and $\text{TiO}(+2)$. The non-transition elements like the p block elements show variable oxidation states like in case of phosphorous. It has -3,+3 and +5.

32. Nitrogen has positive electron gain enthalpy whereas oxygen has negative. However, oxygen has lower ionisation enthalpy than nitrogen. Explain.

Solution:

The ionisation enthalpy of oxygen is lower than that of Nitrogen as because when we remove one electron from oxygen then it easily donates it to attain half-filled stability but in case of nitrogen, it is difficult to remove one electron as it already has half-filled stability and it would become unstable after that.

33. The first member of each group of representative elements (i.e., s and p-block elements) shows anomalous behaviour. Illustrate with two examples.

Solution:

Lithium and beryllium are examples. Li is the first group element. It has different properties and forms of covalent compounds and nitrides. Beryllium is the first element of the second group. It has various anomalies like it forms a covalent compound with coordination number four, unlike other elements that have a coordination number 6.

34. p-Block elements form acidic, basic and amphoteric oxides. Explain each property by giving

two examples and also write the reactions of these oxides with water.

Solution:

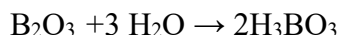
ACIDIC OXIDES

SO₂, B₂O₃ are acidic oxides and p block elements.

The reaction of SO₂ with water



The reaction of B₂O₃ with water

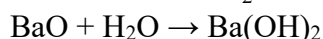


Acidic oxides are those oxides that form acids after reacting with water.

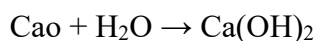
BASIC OXIDES

CaO, BaO, Ti₂O form basic oxides

The reaction of Ti₂O with water.



REACTION OF CaO WITH WATER



Basic oxides are those oxides that form bases after reacting with water

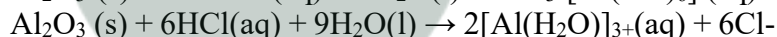
AMPHOTERIC OXIDES

Zinc oxides and aluminium oxides are the two amphoteric oxides.

Reaction of ZnO with water:



Reaction of Al₂O₃ with water:



35. How would you explain the fact that first ionisation enthalpy of sodium is lower than that of magnesium but its second ionisation enthalpy is higher than that of magnesium?

Solution:

Sodium attains stable configuration when it loses one electron from its outermost shell. That is why its first ionisation enthalpy is less than magnesium. But in case of second ionisation enthalpy magnesium has one electron in its outermost shell and to attain stability it loses that easily as compared to sodium which is already stable.

36. What do you understand by exothermic reaction and endothermic reaction? Give one example of each type.

Solution:

Exothermic reaction- The reaction in which heat is evolved is called an exothermic reaction.

for example,



Endothermic reaction- The reaction in which heat is absorbed is called an endothermic reaction.

for example,



37. Arrange the elements N, P, O and S in the order of-

(i) increasing first ionisation enthalpy.

(ii) increasing non-metallic character.

Give the reason for the arrangement assigned.

Solution:

(i) $S < P < O < N$ is the increasing order of the first ionisation enthalpy.

As we go down the group the ionisation enthalpy decreases and as we go along the period then it increases but in case of oxygen and nitrogen due to half-filled stability of 2 p orbitals of nitrogen it has a higher ionisation enthalpy than oxygen.

(ii) $P < S < N < O$ is the increasing order of non-metallic character.

As we go down the group non-metallic character decreases as the effective nuclear charge on the outermost shell decreases which helps to gain an electron. As we move along the period then effective nuclear charge increases which increase the non-metallic character.

38. Explain the deviation in ionisation enthalpy of some elements from the general trend by using Fig. 3.2.

Solution:

The ionisation enthalpy of elements varies across period and group. The ionisation enthalpy decreases down a group and increases as we move from left to right in a period.

- Effective nuclear charge on the outermost electrons.
- Electron-electron repulsion force.
- Stability of the element due to half-filled and filled orbitals are some of the parameter affected.

39. Explain the following:

(a) Electronegativity of elements increases on moving from left to right in the periodic table.

(b) Ionisation enthalpy decrease in a group from top to bottom?

Solution:

(a) As we move from left to right in a period, the size of the atoms decreases due to the increase in the effective nuclear charges on the outermost electron. As a result of which electronegativity of elements increases on moving from left to right in the periodic table.

(b) As we go down the group the atomic size increases which result in the increase in the distance of the electrons in the outermost shell as a result of which effective nuclear charge decreases. This results in a

decrease of ionisation enthalpy.

40. How does the metallic and non-metallic character vary on moving from left to right in a period?

Solution:

Metallic character decreases when we move from left to right across the period and non-metallic character increases as there is an increase in ionisation enthalpy and electron gain enthalpy along the period.

41. The radius of Na⁺ cation is less than that of Na atom. Give reason.

Solution:

Sodium atom loses one electron to form sodium cation and after the formation of a cation, the effective nuclear charge on the ion increases on the left electrons which results in a decrease in radius.

42. Among alkali metals which element do you expect to be least electronegative and why?

Solution:

Caesium is the least electronegative alkali metal as electronegativity decreases as we go down the group. Caesium is a group 1 element and lies down the group as it has the largest size due to a decrease in the effective nuclear charge.

IV. Matching Type

43. Match the correct atomic radius with the element.

Element	Atomic radius (pm)
Be	74
C	88
O	111
B	77
N	66

Solution:

Element	Atomic radius (pm)
Be	111
C	77
O	66
B	88
N	74

44. Match the correct ionisation enthalpies and electron gain enthalpies of the following elements.

Elements	ΔH_1	ΔH_2	$\Delta_{eg} H$
(i) Most reactive non	A. 419	3051	-48

metal			
(ii) Most reactive metal	B. 1681	3374	-328
(iii) Least reactive element	C. 738	1451	-40
(iv) Metal forming binary halide	D. 2372	5251	+48

Solution:

- (i) is B
(ii) is A
(iii) is D
(iv) is C

45. Electronic configuration of some elements is given in Column I and their electron gain enthalpies are given in Column II. Match the electronic configuration with electron gain enthalpy

Column (I) Electronic configuration	Column (II) Electron gain enthalpy/kJ mol ⁻¹
(i) 1s ² 2s ² sp ⁶	(A) - 53
(ii) 1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁶ 3s ¹	(B) - 328
(iii) 1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁵	(C) - 141
(iv) 1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁴	(D) + 48

Solution:

Column (I) Electronic configuration	Column (II) Electron gain enthalpy/kJ mol ⁻¹
(i) 1s ² 2s ² sp ⁶	(D) +48
(ii) 1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁶ 3s ¹	(A) -53
(iii) 1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁵	(B) -328
(iv) 1s ² 2s ² 2p ⁴	(C) -141

V. Assertion and Reason Type

In the following questions, a statement of Assertion (A) followed by a statement of the reason (R) is given. Choose the correct option out of the choices given below each question.

46. Assertion (A): Generally, ionisation enthalpy increases from left to right in a period.

Reason (R): When successive electrons are added to the orbitals in the same principal quantum level, the shielding effect of the inner core of electrons does not increase very much to compensate for the increased attraction of the electron to the nucleus.

- (i) The assertion is correct statement and reason is the wrong statement.
(ii) Assertion and reason both are correct statements and reason is the correct explanation of assertion.
(iii) Assertion and reason both are wrong statements.
(iv) The assertion is wrong statement and reason is the correct statement.

Solution:

Option (ii) is correct.

47. Assertion (A): Boron has a smaller first ionisation enthalpy than beryllium.

Reason (R): The penetration of a 2s electron to the nucleus is more than the 2p electron hence 2p electron is more shielded by the inner core of electrons than the 2s electrons.

(i) Assertion and reason both are correct statements but the reason is not the correct explanation for the assertion.

(ii) The assertion is a correct statement but the reason is the wrong statement.

(iii) Assertion and reason both are correct statements and reason is the correct explanation for the assertion.

(iv) Assertion and reason both are wrong statements.

Solution:

Option (iii) is correct.

48. Assertion (A): Electron gain enthalpy becomes less negative as we go down a group.

Reason (R): Size of the atom increases on going down the group and the added electron would be farther from the nucleus.

(i) Assertion and reason both are correct statements but the reason is not the correct explanation for the assertion.

(ii) Assertion and reason both are correct statements and reason is the correct explanation for the assertion.

(iii) Assertion and reason both are wrong statements.

(iv) The assertion is the wrong statement but the reason is the correct statement.

Solution:

Option (iv) is correct.

VI. Long Answer Type

49. Discuss the factors affecting electron gain enthalpy and the trend in its variation in the periodic table.

Solution;

The factors affecting electron gain enthalpy and the trend in its variation in the periodic table are:

1) ATOMIC SIZE

As we go down the group electron gain enthalpy decreases as the distance of the nucleus from the outermost shell increases which decreases its tendency to gain electron and electron gain enthalpy becomes less negative.

2) EFFECTIVE NUCLEAR CHARGE

As we go from left to right in a period the effective nuclear charge increases and when we move down the group it decreases which results in the attraction of electrons from the outermost shell

3) ELECTRONIC CONFIGURATION

The tendency to gain electrons depends upon the stability of an element. Elements having completely or half-filled stable orbitals have a very low tendency to gain electron thus they have very low electron gain enthalpy.

TRENDS

Across a period the electron gain enthalpy becomes more negative.

Down the group, the electron gain enthalpy becomes less negative.

50. Define ionisation enthalpy. Discuss the factors affecting ionisation enthalpy of the elements and its trends in the periodic table.

Solution:

Ionisation enthalpy is the energy required by an isolated and gaseous atom in its ground state to remove an electron.

Effective nuclear charge

Due to the screening effect, the valence electrons are shielded by the inner core electrons. This effective nuclear charge is less than the actual charge present on the atom.

Penetrated orbitals:

It is difficult to remove an electron from the orbitals that are closer to the nucleus and are penetrated towards the nucleus. The order of penetration is given by:

$s > p > d > f$

Stability of orbitals:

Half-filled and filled orbitals have a high ionisation enthalpy as they don't want to lose their stability.

Across a period the ionisation enthalpy increases along the period.

Down the group, the ionisation enthalpy decreases.

